

# **City of Lincoln Appointment Application**

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**Application Date:** 3/23/2010

**Salutation:** Ms. **Applicant Name:** Mora James, JD, S. A.

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**Applicant Occupation:** Attorney at Law

**Employer:** MORA JAMES LAW

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**Affirmative Action Information:** Sex Female

**Racial/Ethnic Background:** Hispanic/Latino

## **EDUCATION**

J.D. - University of Nebraska College of Law, 1991, Lincoln, NE

B.A. - Kearney State College, 1979, major-Political Science, Kearney, NE

A.A. - Mid-Plains Community College, 1976, North Platte, NE

## **PRESENT OR PREVIOUS COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

### **NEBRASKA HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION**

Co-founder and President, 2004-2007, since 2008

Chair, Outreach to the Community Committee, since 2004

Chair, Mentor Committee for Law School and High School Students, since 2004

Participant, Creighton Latino Law Student Association "I Want to be a Lawyer" Mock Trial, 2005

### **NEBRASKA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**

Nebraska State Bar Association-Access to the Profession Committee & Women Law Section, Girl Scout Project-Mock Trial, 2001 - Organizer and supervised the mock trial

Nebraska State Bar Association-Access to the Profession Committee & Women Law Section, Girl Scout Project, 2000 - Organizer

The Nebraska Center for Continuing Education, Fair Housing/ADA: Compliance and Beyond, 1999 - Faculty

### **LATINA LEADERSHIP**

8th Annual Latina Youth Leadership Conference, Keynote Speaker 2009

Member, Latinas Unidas, since 2008

Mentor to Latina/o Students, since 1988

### **BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITIONS**

Member, The Clyde Malone Community Center, since 2009

### **CIVIC/GOVERNMENT**

Member, Omaha Mayor Jim Suttle's South Omaha Advisory Board, since 2009

### **HIGH SCHOOL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Lincoln Southeast High School, "What it takes to become an Attorney," 2005

Park Middle School-Latino Club, "What it takes to become an Attorney," 2002

University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Math/Science Upward Bound Project, 2002

Lincoln High School, "What it takes to become an Attorney," 2002

University of Nebraska at Lincoln - Upward Bound 2nd Annual State Leadership Conference-Mock Trial, 2002 - Organized and supervised the mock trial

#### COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

University of Nebraska College of Dentistry, "Ethics and Professional Responsibilities as it Relates to Clients with Disabilities," 2000, 2001

Union College, "Employment and the ADA: Employers' Obligations to their Employees with Disabilities," 2000, 2001

University of Nebraska College of Law, Minority Law Student Orientation, 1994 & 1998 - Speaker

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Bi-racial Issues in Leadership, 1995 - Lecturer

University of Nebraska College of Law, Minority Law Day, 1994 - Speaker

University of Nebraska College of Law, Centennial Diversity Celebration, 1991 – Speaker

#### MENTOR

University of Nebraska College of Law, Pre-law Institute - Student Mentor, 2003-2008

Nebraska Hispanic Bar Association – Student Mentor, 2004-present

#### PANELIST

University of Nebraska College of Law, Diversity Summit for High School Students , 2006-2008

University of Nebraska College of Law, UNL Diversity Law Day, 2005-2006

University of Nebraska College of Law, Ethics and Professional Responsibilities, 1999

#### COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Lincoln Action Program-Project Girl, Experience of Minority Attorneys in the Nebraska Judicial System, 1998-1999

Mexican American Commission, Your Employment Rights Pursuant to the ADA, 1998

Nebraska AIDS Project of Lincoln, The ADA as it relates to AIDS and HIV+ persons, 1997

Citizen Advocacy of Grand Island, Guardianships and People with Disabilities, 1997

#### EMPLOYMENT

Sole Practitioner, Mora James Law, Lincoln, NE - (2008-present).

Senior Staff Attorney, Nebraska Advocacy Services, Inc., Lincoln, NE - (1992-2008).

Legal Consultant, Law Offices of Rod Morrow, Lenexa, KS - (2006).

Assistant for Minority Recruitment and Retention, University of Nebraska College of Law (1989-1991).

CLEO Professor's Assistant, University of Missouri Law School at Columbia (1990).

Immigration Law Research Assistant, University of Nebraska College of Law (1990).

Correctional Officer, Lancaster County Corrections, Lincoln, Nebraska (1986-1989).

Fireman/Oiler, Union Pacific Railroad, Bailey Yards, North Platte, Nebraska (1980-1986).

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### **Board(s) Requested**

Citizen Police Advisory Board

City Personnel Board

Commission On Human Rights

Downtown Business Area Improvement Board

Mayor's Multicultural Advisory Committee

Railroad Transportation Safety District (City Council Board)